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PATENT

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Applicant: Brian Patrick Costello and George
Richard Defibaugh

Serial No.: 10/810,135

Filed: March 26, 2004

For: GUIDE RECEPTACLE WITH TANDEM MOUNTING FEATURES

Art Unit:

Examiner:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

1. We enclose the following documents:
 - Preliminary Amendment Transmittal (3 pgs, in duplicate)
 - Preliminary Amendment (3 pgs)
 - Annotated drawing sheets (1 page)
 - Replacement drawing sheets (1 page)
 - Return postcard

STATUS

2. Applicant _____ claims small entity status.
✓ is other than a small entity.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING/TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is, on the date shown below, being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on the date indicated below in an envelope addressed to the MAIL STOP Non Fee Amendments, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, Express Mail No. EV 298646318 US.

Date: April 19, 2004

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EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
first month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
second month	\$ 410.00	\$ 205.00
third month	\$ 930.00	\$ 465.00
fourth month	\$1,450.00	\$ 725.00
fifth month	\$1,970.00	\$ 985.00

Fee: _____ \$ _____

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

— An extension of _____ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$_____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ _____.

OR

(b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)		(Col. 3)		SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		ADDITIONAL RATE FEE		ADDITIONAL RATE FEE
								OR
TOTAL		MINUS		=	x \$9 = \$		x \$18 = \$	
INDEP.		MINUS		=	x \$42 = \$		x \$84 = \$	
<u> </u> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$140 = \$		+ \$280 = \$	
					TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	

(a) T No additional fee for Claims is required

OR

(b) _____ Total additional fee for claims required \$

FEE PAYMENT

5. _____ Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____

_____ Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$_____.
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

FEE DEFICIENCY

6. I If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

AND/OR

I If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

7. _____ Other:

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Applicants hereby request entry of the following Amendment prior to examination of
the above-referenced application.

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheet of drawings includes a change to Figure 2. This sheet replaces the original sheet for Figure 2. In Figure 2, reference numeral 45 has been changed to reference numeral 48 to correct a typographical error and ensure compliance with the Specification.